(c) what steps are being taken to see that the Palestenians safely reach their homes;

(d) what trend is seen in the Palestenians who are in India, whether they want to return or they want to stay back in India; and

(e) what is India's policy in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) 480 Palestinian nationals were registered in India as on 1-1-93; out of which 478 are students pursuing higher studies.

(b) 17 Palestinian nationals departed from India during the year 1993. Information regarding number of Palestinians, who returned to the occupied territories, is not available as neither the outgoing passengers are required to disclose their final destination nor does Government keep details of country-wise final destination of passengers.

(c) Government is responsible for physical safety of the Palestinians as long as they are in India.

(d) No trend is available in this regard.

(e) Government follows uniform policy in respect of foreigners, without discrimination.

Terrorist activities in Hyderabad

2419. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item published in 'Jansatta' of 6th December, 1993 under the caption "Hyderabad main Atankwadiyon Ka Jall" and if so, whether Government have investigated the activities of the IUML and what are the details thereof;

(b) the names of terrorists affiliated to IUML arrested in 1993 togetherwith the names of places and the charges against them; and

(c) whether Government have also investigated the fundings of the organisation and the money received by it from foreign sources?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) The Government is aware of the news-item. The facts are being ascertained from the Government of Andhra Pradesh and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Action against ITBP Deputationists

2420. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question No. 324 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 23rd February, 1994 and state:

(a) whether some important and responsible political leaders of Punjab have demanded action against some ITBP deputationists for their misdeeds and whether any high level vigilance enquiry conducted against some of such ITBP deputationists has found them guilty; and

(b) if so, the complete details in this regard and the action taken and proposed to be taken by Government to ensure the transfer of these ITBP deputationists from their present posting and to revert them to their parent cadre ITBP?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFIARS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not rise.